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November 13, 2006

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: **GENERAL RELIEF (GR) HOUSING SUBSIDY AND CASE  
MANAGEMENT PILOT – MOVE-IN COSTS**

This is to inform your Board of our plan to enhance the General Relief Housing Subsidy and Case Management Pilot by assisting homeless GR pilot participants with move-in costs associated with securing permanent housing, effective November 28, 2006.

On April 4, 2006, your Board approved the General Relief Housing Subsidy and Case Management Pilot as part of the Los Angeles County Homeless Prevention Initiative. The objective of the Pilot is to test whether assisting the homeless GR population with a rent subsidy and coordinating access to other necessary supportive services reduces homelessness, increases employment, and/or increases receipt of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits. Under this pilot, rent subsidies up to \$300 per month are paid directly to landlords on behalf of qualifying GR pilot participants. This pilot was implemented on July 25, 2006.

As an enhancement to this pilot, we plan to pay for move-in expenses for pilot participants. Assisting with move-in costs will enhance the success of the pilot by facilitating access to permanent housing. The total cost of this enhancement will not exceed \$540,000.

This enhancement will not increase the pilot cost approved by your Board. We have identified sufficient funding to cover this cost as a result of the fact that no rental subsidies were issued in July or August 2006, as pilot participants sought to secure permanent housing.

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c: Chief Administrative Officer  
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